What is claimed is:

1) A compound of formula (I):

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug or metabolite thereof, wherein

A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

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- (1) benzimidazolyl
- (2) 1,3-benzothiazolyl
- (3) 1,2,3-benzotriazolyl
- (4) 1,3-benzoxazolyl
- (5) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indolyl
- (6) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indenyl
- (7) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothienyl
- (8) 1H-indazolyl
- (9) 2H-indazolyl
- (10) 1H-indolyl
 - (11) 2H-chromenyl
 - (12) quinoxalinyl or
 - (13) a group of the formula

optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R¹, OR¹, S(O)_pR¹, C(O)R¹, C(O)OR¹, C(O)NR¹R², halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro;

B is phenyl, naphthyl, pyridyl, or quinolinyl optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, C₁-C₅ linear or branched haloalkyl, C₁-C₃ alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C₁-C₃ alkylamino, C₁-C₆ dialkylamino, carboxyamide, halogen, cyano, nitro or S(O)₀R⁷;

L is:

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- (a) $-(CH_2)_m O (CH_2)_{l-1}$
- (b) $-(CH_2)_m (CH_2)_{l-1}$
- (c) $-(CH_2)_m C(O) (CH_2)_{l-1}$
- (d) $-(CH_2)_m NR^3 (CH_2)_{i-1}$
- (e) $-(CH_2)_m NR^3C(O) (CH_2)_{l-1}$
 - $(f) (CH_2)_m S (CH_2)_{l-1}$
 - $(g) (CH_2)_m C(O)NR^3 (CH_2)_l or$
 - (h) a single bond;
- m and I are integers independently selected from 0-4; 20

M is a pyridine ring, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, C₁-C₅ linear or branched haloalkyl, C₁-C₃ alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C₁-C₃ alkylamino, C₁-C₆ dialkylamino, halogen, or nitro;.

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Q is $C(O)R^4$, $C(O)OR^4$ or $C(O)NR^4R^{5.}$

each of R¹, R², R³, R⁴ and R⁵ is independently:

- (a) hydrogen, 30
 - (b) C₁-C₅ linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,

(c) phenyl,

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- (d) C₁-C₃ alkyl-phenyl,
- (e) up to per-halo substituted C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl,
- (f) - $(CH_2)_q$ -X, wherein X is a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic ring, containing at least one atom selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, which is saturated, partially saturated, or aromatic, or a 8-10 membered bicyclic heteroaryl having 1-4 heteroatoms which are O, N or S, or
- (g) -(CH₂)_q-Y, where Y is C(O)R⁶, C(O)OR⁶ and C(O)NR⁶R⁷;
- 10 each of $R^6 R^7$ is independently:
 - (a) hydrogen,
 - (b) C₁-C₅ linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
 - (c) phenyl,
- 15 (d) C₁-C₃ alkyl-phenyl, or
 - (e) up to per-halo substituted C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl;

each of R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , R^5 , R^6 and R^7 , other than per–halo substituted C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl, is optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl, up to perhalo substituted C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1 - C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, C_1 - C_3 alkylamino, C_1 - C_6 dialkylamino, halogen, cyano, or nitro;

p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2; and

q is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4.

- 2) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:
- A= 1H-benzimidazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl, A= 1H-benzimidazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

- A= 1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or guinolinyl.
- A= 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl, or
- A= 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- 3) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:
 - A= 1H-benzimidazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

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- A= 1,3-benzodioxinyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzodioxolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzothiazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
- A= 1,2,3-benzotriazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
- A= 1,3-benzoxazolyl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl.
- 4) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:
 - A= 1H-benzimidazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
 - A= 1H-benzimidazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
 - A= 1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
 - A= 1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
 - A= 1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
 - A= 1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, ,

- A= 1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
- A= 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
- A= 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
- A= 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

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- 5) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
- A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,
 - A= 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl.
- 6) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
 - A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

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A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
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7) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 2H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 1H-indazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl,

A= 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl or

A= 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl.

8) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 1H-indazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or

A= 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

9) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= quinoxalin-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl or A= quinoxalin-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl.

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

- 10) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:
- A= quinoxalin-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or A= quinoxalin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.
 - 11) A compound as in claim 1 wherein L is -O- or -S-.
- 10 12) A compound which is:

- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzoxazol-6yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1-acetyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{4-[({[6-(trifluoromethoxy)-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]phen-oxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(6-fluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-fluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-{3-fluoro-4-[({[6-(trifluoromethoxy)-1,3-benzothiazol-2yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]phen-oxy}-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
 - 4-[4-({[(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-({[(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[4-({[(5-chloro-1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(5-chloro-1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-({[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(2-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

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- 4-[(5-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}quinolin-8-yl)oxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(4,6-difluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]- N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[({1-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-1H-indol-5-yl}amino)carbonyl]amino}-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
 - 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-({[(1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2,4-difluoro-5-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-fluoro-3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-fluoro-5-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2-chloro-6-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]- N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-methoxyethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-(4-{[(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide

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- 4-(3-fluoro-4-{[(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-({[(4-methyl-2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]methyl}pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-{[3-fluoro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]methyl}-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

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- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]- N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(3-{[(2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-{3-[({[2-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]phenoxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methyl-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

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- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]- N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 5-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylnicotinamide
 - 4-[4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]- N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzothiazol-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine 2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

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- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]- N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
 - 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
 - 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
 - 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-{4-[({[1-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]-phenoxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-nitro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[2-methyl-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[2,3-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3,5-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

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- 4-[2,5-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-{[5-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-quinolin-8-yl]oxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(3-{[(1H-indazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2carboxamide dihydrochloride
 - N-[2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-fluoro-4-{[(quinoxalin-2-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-[2-(dimethylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- Methyl 4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxylate
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(3-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(3-{[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

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- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 5-[2-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylnicotinamide
 - 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-4-chlorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]- N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-fluorophenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-chloro-3-{[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(7-fluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - Methyl 4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxylate
- Methyl 5-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]nicotinate
 - 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-5-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino) phenoxy]nicotinamide
 - 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-chlorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]- N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[2-methyl-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[3-nitro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide 1-oxide

- 4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-pyridin-3-ylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

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- N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-pyridin-3-yl-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[3-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-(2-piperazin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]-carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-pyridin-2-yl-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-piperazin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[2-methoxy-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-2-methoxyphenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,5-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

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- 4-[3,5-difluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-(aminocarbonyl)-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-(methylsulfonyl)-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-(methylthio)-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-nitro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[4-({[(6-nitro-1,3-benzothiazol-2yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-[4-({[(4,6-difluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzoxazol-6yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-2H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[({1-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-1H-indazol-5-yl}amino)carbonyl]amino}-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1H-indol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-{4-[(2-acetylpyridin-4-yl)oxy]phenyl}-N'-(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)urea
- N-[2-(dimethylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}-aminophenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

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- N-methyl-4-{[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]methyl}-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(1H-1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - Methyl 4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxylate
 - 4-(4-{[(1H-1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[(1H-indazol-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-methyl-4-{4-[({[2-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl]amino}carbonyl)amino]-phenoxy}pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1-ethyl-2-methyl-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - Methyl 4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2carboxylate
 - 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-cyclopropyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-(cyclopropylmethyl)-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - N-cyclobutyl-4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide or
 - Methyl-N-({4-[4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)glycinate
- 13) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises an effective amount of at least one compound of claim1 and a physiologically acceptable carrier.
 - 14) A method for treating or preventing a hyper-proliferative disorder in a human or other mammal comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1 and an additional anti-proliferative agent.
 - 15) A method for treating or preventing cancer in a human or other mammal comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1 and a cytotoxic agent or cytostatic chemotherapeutic agent.
 - 16) A method for treating or preventing a disease in a human or other mammal regulated by tyrosine kinase, associated with an aberration in the tyrosine kinase signal transduction pathway, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.

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- 17) A method for treating or preventing a disease in a human or other mammal mediated by the VEGF-induced signal transduction pathway, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.
- 18) A method for treating or preventing a disease in a human or other mammal characterized by abnormal angiogenesis or hyperpermeability processes, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim1.

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- 19) A method for treating or preventing a disease in a human or other mammal characterized by abnormal angiogenesis or hyperpermeability processes, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1 simultaneously with another angiogenesis inhibiting agent in the same formulation or in separate formulations.
 - 20) A method for treating or preventing one or more of the following conditions in humans and/or other mammals: tumor growth, retinopathy, ischemic retinal-vein occlusion, retinopathy of prematurity, age related macular degeneration; rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, a bolos disorder associated with subepidermal blister formation, including bullous pemphigoid, erythema multiforme, or dermatitis herpetiformis, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.
- 21) A method for treating or preventing one or more of the following conditions in humans and/or other mammals: tumor growth, retinopathy, diabetic retinopathy, ischemic retinal-vein occlusion, retinopathy of prematurity, age related macular degeneration; rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, bullous disorder associated with subepidermal blister formation, bullous pemphigoid, erythema multiforme, and dermatitis herpetiformis, in combination with an infectious disease selected from the group consisting of: tuberculosis, Helicobacter pylori infection during peptic ulcer disease, Chaga's disease resulting from Trypanosoma cruzi infection, effects of Shiga-

like toxin resulting from E. coli infection, effects of enterotoxin A resulting from Staphylococcus infection, meningococcal infection, and infections from Borrelia burgdorferi, Treponema pallidum, cytomegalovirus, influenza virus, Theiler's encephalomyelitis virus, and the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV),

said method comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.

- 22) A method for treating or preventing diseases mediated by the VEGF-induced signal transduction pathway comprising administering a compound of claim 12.
- 23) A method for treating or preventing cancer comprising administering a compound of claim 12.
 - 24) A compound of formula (I):

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug or metabolite thereof, wherein Q is $C(O)R^4$, $C(O)OR^4$ or $C(O)NR^4R^{5.}$

wherein A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

- (1) benzimidazol-5-yl
- (2) benzimidazol-6-yl
- (3) 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl
- (4) 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl
- (5) 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl
- (6) 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-vl

- (7) 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl
- (8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
- (9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
- (10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
- (11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl
 - (12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
 - (13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
 - (14) 1H-indazol-5-yl
 - (15) 2H-indazol-5-yl
- 10 (16) 1H-indazol-6-yl

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- (17) 1H-indol-5-yl
- (18) 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl
- (19) 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
- (20) quinoxalin-2-yl
- (21) quinoxalin-6-yl, or
 - (22) a group of the formula

optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R^1 , OR^1 , $S(O)_pR^1$, $C(O)R^1$, $C(O)OR^1$, $C(O)NR^1R^2$, halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro

B is phenyl, naphthyl, pyridyl, or quinolinyl optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1 - C_5 linear or branched haloalkyl, C_1 - C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C_1 - C_3 alkylamino, C_1 - C_6 dialkylamino, carboxyamide, halogen, cyano, nitro or $S(O)_pR^7$;

L is:

- (a) $-(CH_2)_m O (CH_2)_{l-1}$
- (b) $-(CH_2)_m (CH_2)_{l-1}$
- (c) $-(CH_2)_m C(O) (CH_2)_{l}$
- $(d) (CH_2)_m NR^3 (CH_2)_{l}$
 - (e) $-(CH_2)_m NR^3C(O) (CH_2)_{i-1}$
 - $(f) (CH_2)_m S (CH_2)_{l-1}$
 - (g) $-(CH_2)_m C(O)NR^3 (CH_2)_{l^-}$, or
 - (h) a single bond;

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m and I are integers independently selected from 0-4;

M is a pyridine ring, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1 - C_5 linear or branched haloalkyl, C_1 - C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C_1 - C_3 alkylamino, C_1 - C_6 dialkylamino, halogen, or nitro;

Q is $C(0)R^4$, $C(0)OR^4$ or $C(0)NR^4R^{5.}$

each of R¹, R², R³, R⁴ and R⁵, is independently:

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- (a) hydrogen,
- (b) C₁-C₅ linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
- (c) phenyl,
- (d) C₁-C₃ alkyl-phenyl,
- 25 (e) up to per-halo substituted C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl,
 - (f) - $(CH_2)_q$ -X, wherein X is a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic ring, containing at least one atom selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, which is saturated, partially saturated, or aromatic, or a 8-10 membered bicyclic heteroaryl having 1-4 heteroatoms which are O, N or S, or
- 30 (g) -(CH₂)_q-Y, where Y is C(O)R⁶, C(O)OR⁶ and C(O)NR⁶R⁷;

each of $R^6 - R^7$ is independently:

- (a) hydrogen,
- (b) C₁-C₅ linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
- 5 (c) phenyl,
 - (d) C₁-C₃ alkyl-phenyl, or
 - (e) up to per-halo substituted C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl;

each of R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶ and R⁷, other than per–halo substituted C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, is optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, up to perhalo substituted C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, C₁-C₃ alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, C₁-C₃ alkylamino, C₁-C₆ dialkylamino, halogen, cyano, or nitro;

p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2; and

q is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4.

- 20 25) A compound of claim 24 wherein A is selected from
 - (1) benzimidazol-5-yl
 - (2) benzimidazol-6-yl
 - (8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
- 25 (9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
 - (10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
 - (11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-vl
 - (12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
 - (13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
- 30 (14) 1H-indazol-5-yl
 - (15) 2H-indazol-5-yl

- (16) 1H-indazol-6-yl
- (17) 1H-indol-5-yl

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- (18) quinoxalin-2-yl
- (19) quinoxalin-6-yl, and
- (20) a group of the formula

- 10 26) A compound of claim 24 wherein the optional substituents on bicyclic heterocycle A are independently R¹, OR¹, and halogen.
 - 27) A compound as in claim 26 wherein is B is phenyl or pyridyl, optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are halogen.
 - 28) A compound of claim 27 wherein L is -O-.
 - 29) A compound of claim 28 wherein Q is $C(O)NR^4R^5$ and each of R^4 and R^5 is independently hydrogen or C_1 - C_5 alkyl.
 - 30) A compound of formula (I):

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug or metabolite thereof, wherein

A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

- (1) benzimidazol-5-yl
- (2) benzimidazol-6-yl

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- (8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
- (9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
- (10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
- (11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl
- (12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
- 10 (13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
 - (14) 1H-indazol-5-yl
 - (15) 2H-indazol-5-yl
 - (16) 1H-indazol-6-yl
 - (17) 1H-indol-5-yl
 - (18) quinoxalin-2-yl
 - (19) quinoxalin-6-yl, and
 - (20) a group of the formula

optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R^1 , OR^1 , $S(O)_pR^1$, $C(O)R^1$, $C(O)OR^1$, $C(O)NR^1R^2$, halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro B is phenyl, optionally substituted with halogen.

L is -O-,

M is a pyridine ring substituted only with Q,

Q is $C(O)NHR^5$ and R^5 is independently hydrogen or C_1 - C_5 alkyl, and p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2.